

MATH 202A - Problem Set 12

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(12.1) For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, let $P_x = \{(p, q) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{N} \mid p \wedge q = 1 \text{ and } |x - \frac{p}{q}| \leq \frac{1}{q^r}\}$, where $r > 2$. Let $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid P_x \text{ is an infinite set}\}$. Then we have E is a Borel set, and $m(E) = 0$.

proof For all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, let

$$Q_x = \{q \in \mathbb{N} \mid \exists p \in \mathbb{Z} : p \wedge q = 1 \text{ and } |x - \frac{p}{q}| \leq \frac{1}{q^r}\}$$

be the projection of P_x on the second coordinate. We first observe that P_x is infinite if and only if Q_x is infinite. Indeed

- Q_x is infinite $\Rightarrow P_x$ is infinite: this follows from the fact that the projection

$$\begin{aligned} P_x &\rightarrow Q_x \\ (p, q) &\mapsto q \end{aligned}$$

is a surjection.

- Q_x is finite $\Rightarrow P_x$ is finite: for all $q \in Q_x$, there are at most three integers $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $(p, q) \in P_x$ (indeed, if $|x - \frac{p_1}{q}| \leq \frac{1}{q^r}$ and $|x - \frac{p_2}{q}| \leq \frac{1}{q^r}$, then $|\frac{p_1}{q} - \frac{p_2}{q}| \leq \frac{2}{q^r}$, i.e. $|p_1 - p_2| \leq 2/q^{r-1} \leq 2$ ($q^{r-1} \geq 1$), therefore there may be at most three distinct such integers p).

Now for all $q \in \mathbb{N}$ and for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ let

$$X_q^n = \{x \in [-n, n] \mid \exists p \in \mathbb{Z} : p \wedge q = 1 \text{ and } |x - \frac{p}{q}| \leq \frac{1}{q^r}\}$$

we have $x \in X_q^n \Leftrightarrow q \in Q_x$ and $x \in [-n, n]$, therefore

$x \in E \cap [-n, n] \Leftrightarrow x \in [-n, n]$ and P_x is infinite $\Leftrightarrow x \in [-n, n]$ and Q_x is infinite $\Leftrightarrow \{q \in \mathbb{N} \mid x \in X_q^n\}$ is infinite

Therefore $E \cap [-n, n]$ is the set of points x that belong to X_q^n for infinitely many indices $q \in \mathbb{N}$. We observe that

$$X_q^n = \cup_{p \in \mathbb{Z}, p \wedge q = 1} \left([-n, n] \cap \left[\frac{p}{q} - \frac{1}{q^r}, \frac{p}{q} + \frac{1}{q^r} \right] \right)$$

therefore it is a Borel set, and we observe that each intersection $[-n, n] \cap [p/q - 1/q^r, p/q + 1/q^r]$ is nonempty if and only if $p/q - 1/q^r \leq n$ and $p/q + 1/q^r \geq -n$, i.e.

$$p \in [-nq - 1/q^{r-1}, nq + 1/q^{r-1}] \subseteq [-nq - 1, nq + 1]$$

therefore we can write

$$X_q^n \subseteq \cup_{p \in [-nq-1, nq+1]} \left[\frac{p}{q} - \frac{1}{q^r}, \frac{p}{q} + \frac{1}{q^r} \right]$$

thus the measure of X_q^n is $m(X_q^n) \leq (2nq + 3) \frac{2}{q^r} \leq (2nq + 3q) \frac{2}{q^r} = \frac{4n+6}{q^{r-1}}$ and

$$\sum_{q \in \mathbb{N}} m(X_q^n) \leq \sum_{q \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{4n+6}{q^{r-1}} < \infty$$

therefore by the Borel-Cantelli theorem, $m(E \cap [-n, n]) = 0$. Finally, since the sequence $(E \cap [-n, n])_n$ is non-decreasing, and $\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} E \cap [-n, n] = E$, we have by σ -additivity of the measure

$$m(E) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(E \cap [-n, n]) = 0$$

(12.2) Let E be the set of all $x \in [0, 1)$ such that x has decimal expansion $x = 0.a_1a_2\dots$ in which no two consecutive digits equal 7. Then E is a Borel set, and $m(E) = 0$.

proof Let E_n be the set of points $x \in [0, 1)$ that have decimal expansion $x = 0.a_1a_2\dots a_n\dots$ such that the (a_1, \dots, a_n) does not contain two consecutive elements equal to 7. Let $F_n = E_n^c$. We have $F_n \subseteq F_{n+1}$ (if (a_1, \dots, a_n) contains two consecutive elements equal to 7, then so does (a_1, \dots, a_{n+1})), thus $E_{n+1} \subseteq E_n$ and we have

$$E = \cap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$$

We additionally write E_n as the disjoint union of two sets: the set of points in E that have digital expansion with the n^{th} digit equals 7 (respectively, not equal to 7)

$$E_n = E_n^7 \cup E_n^{\bar{7}}$$

where E_n^7 is the set of points $x \in E_n$ that have decimal expansion $x = 0.a_1\dots a_n\dots$ such that $a_n = 7$, and $E_n^{\bar{7}}$ is the set of points $x \in E_n$ that have decimal expansion $x = 0.a_1\dots a_n\dots$ such that $a_n \neq 7$.

Then we have the following equivalences: for all $n \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x \in E_{n+1}^7 &\Leftrightarrow x \in E_n^7 \text{ and } a_{n+1} = 7 \\ x \in E_{n+1}^{\bar{7}} &\Leftrightarrow x \in E_n \text{ and } a_{n+1} \neq 7 \end{aligned}$$

Now let

$$\begin{aligned} u_n &= m(E_n^7) \\ v_n &= m(E_n^{\bar{7}}) \end{aligned}$$

Then we have $m(E_n) = u_n + v_n$, and we have

$$\begin{aligned} u_{n+1} &= \frac{1}{10}v_n \\ v_{n+1} &= \frac{9}{10}(u_n + v_n) \end{aligned}$$

with initial terms $u_1 = \frac{1}{10}$ and $v_1 = \frac{9}{10}$. Then we can write

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_n \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha \\ (1-\alpha) & (1-\alpha) \end{pmatrix}^{n-1} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ v_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

with $\alpha = \frac{1}{10}$. Therefore we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} v_n = 0$.

Finally, since $E_{n+1} \subseteq E_n$ and $m(E_0) = 1$ is finite, we have by σ -additivity

$$\begin{aligned} m(E) &= m(\cap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(E_n) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n + v_n \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(12.3) Let (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) be a measure space, with $\mu(X) = 1$. A family of measurable sets $\{A_n\}$ is said to be mutually independent if for all finite N , and all $\{B_k\}_{k \in \{1, \dots, N\}}$ with $B_k \in \{A_k, X \setminus A_k\}$ satisfies

$$\mu(\cap_{k=1}^N B_k) = \prod_{k=1}^N \mu(B_k)$$

If $\{A_n\}$ is a family of mutually independent sets, and $\sum_n \mu(A_n) = \infty$, then almost every $x \in X$ belongs to A_n for infinitely many indices n .

proof Let $E = \{x \in X | x \in A_n \text{ for infinitely many } n\}$. Then we have $x \in E$ if and only if $\forall N \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n \geq N$ such that $x \in A_n$, therefore

$$E = \cap_{N \in \mathbb{N}} \cup_{n \geq N} A_n$$

and it follows that E is measurable. We have $E^c = \cup_{N \in \mathbb{N}} \cap_{n \geq N} A_n^c$. Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$, the sequence of sets $(\cap_{n=N}^{N+k} A_n^c)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is decreasing, thus by σ -additivity of μ , and since the space has finite measure, we have

$$\mu(\cap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (\cap_{n=N}^{N+k} A_n^c)) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(\cap_{n=N}^{N+k} A_n^c)$$

for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, by mutual independence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\cap_{n=N}^{N+k} A_n^c) &= \prod_{n=N}^{N+k} \mu(A_n^c) \\ &= \prod_{n=N}^{N+k} (\mu(X) - \mu(A_n)) \\ &= \prod_{n=N}^{N+k} (1 - \mu(A_n)) \end{aligned}$$

Where the sequence $(\prod_{n=N}^{N+k} (1 - \mu(A_n)))_k$ converges to 0: to prove this, let $P_k = \prod_{n=N}^{N+k} (1 - \mu(A_n))$. We consider two cases:

1. if there exists $n_0 \geq N$ such that $\mu(A_{n_0}) = 1$, then for all $k \geq n_0 - N$, $P_k = 0$, and the result follows.
2. if $\mu(A_n) < 1$ for all $n \geq N$, then consider

$$\begin{aligned} \ln P_k &= \sum_{n=N}^{N+k} \ln(1 - \mu(A_n)) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=N}^{N+k} -\mu(A_n) \end{aligned}$$

using the fact that for all $x \in [0, 1)$, $\ln(1-x) \leq -x$. By assumption, we have $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=N}^{N+k} \mu(A_n) = \infty$, therefore

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \ln P_k = -\infty$$

therefore (P_k) converges to 0 (for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists K such that for all $k \geq K$, $\ln P_k \leq \ln \epsilon$, thus for all $k \geq K$, $P_k \leq \epsilon$).

Therefore

$$\mu(\cap_{n=N}^{\infty} A_n^c) = \mu(\cap_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (\cap_{n=N}^{N+k} A_n^c)) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{n=N}^{N+k} (1 - \mu(A_n)) = 0$$

To conclude, we have by σ -additivity of μ

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(E^c) &= \mu(\cup_{N \in \mathbb{N}} (\cap_{n=N}^{\infty} A_n^c)) \\ &\leq \sum_{N \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(\cap_{n=N}^{\infty} A_n^c) = 0\end{aligned}$$

therefore $m(E^c) = 0$, which proves that almost every x is in E .

(12.4) Egoroff's theorem: Let (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) be a finite measure space. Suppose that (f_n) is a sequence of measurable functions $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, that (f_n) converges to $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ almost everywhere, where f is a measurable function. Then for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $E \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\mu(E) < \epsilon$ and (f_n) converges to f uniformly on $X \setminus E$.

proof We first show that for all $\eta > 0$, there exists $F_\eta \in \mathcal{A}$ and $N_\eta \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\mu(F) \leq \eta$ and for all $n \geq N_\eta$, for all $x \in F_\eta^c$, $|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \eta$. Let $\eta > 0$ be fixed, and consider the sets

$$\begin{aligned}G_{N,\eta} &= \{x \in X \mid \forall n \geq N, |f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \eta\} \\ F_{N,\eta} &= G_{N,\eta}^c\end{aligned}$$

where $\cup_{N=1}^{\infty} G_{N,\eta} = X$ since for all $x \in X$, $\lim_n f_n(x) = f(x)$ thus there exists N such that for all $n \geq N$ $|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \eta$, i.e. $x \in G_{N,\eta}$.

We have for all $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $G_{N,\eta}$ is the inverse image of the interval $[0, \eta]$ by the measurable function $|f_n - f|$, thus $G_{N,\eta}$ is measurable and so is $F_{N,\eta}$. And we have $G_{N,\eta} \subseteq G_{N+1,\eta}$, thus $F_{N+1,\eta} \subseteq F_{N,\eta}$. Therefore $(F_{N,\eta})_N$ is a non-increasing sequence of subsets, with intersection $\cap_{N=1}^{\infty} F_{N,\eta} = (\cup_{N=1}^{\infty} G_{N,\eta})^c = X^c = \emptyset$. by σ -additivity of m ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(F_{N,\eta}) = m(\emptyset) = 0$$

thus there exists $N_\eta \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $m(F_{N_\eta,\eta}) \leq \eta$, and on $F_{N_\eta,\eta}^c = G_{N_\eta,\eta}$, we have $|f_n - f| \leq \eta$. Let F_η denote $F_{N_\eta,\eta}$ (to simplify notation).

Now fix $\epsilon > 0$, and consider the sequence $\eta_n = \epsilon/2^n$. Consider the union

$$F = \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_{\eta_n}$$

then we have

- F is measurable as the countable union of measurable sets.
- the measure of F is

$$\begin{aligned}m(F) &= m(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_{\eta_n}) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m(F_{\eta_n}) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \eta_n = \epsilon \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/2^n = \epsilon\end{aligned}$$

- on the complement of F , f_n converges to f uniformly: indeed, for all $\eta > 0$, since $\lim_n \eta_n = 0$, there exists n_0 such that for all $\eta_{n_0} \leq \eta$, and we have for all $F_{\eta_{n_0}} \subseteq F$, i.e. $F^c \subseteq F_{\eta_{n_0}}^c$, therefore for all $x \in F^c$, $x \in F_{\eta_{n_0}}^c$, thus for all $n \geq N_{\eta_{n_0}}$, $|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq \eta$. This proves that (f_n) converges to f uniformly on F^c .

(12.5) Let (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) be a measure space, such that $\mu(X) < \infty$. Then the dominated convergence theorem follows from Egoroff's theorem:

Let $E \in \mathcal{A}$, and let (f_n) be a sequence of measurable functions that converges pointwise to f , and such that there exists an integrable g with $|f_n(x)| \leq g(x)$ for all $x \in X$. Then f is integrable, and $(\int_E f_n d\mu)_n$ converges to $\int_E f d\mu$.

proof

Lemma 1 *If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integrable, then for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\eta > 0$ such that if $F \in \mathcal{A}$ has measure $\mu(F) \leq \eta$, then $\int_F f d\mu \leq \epsilon$.*

First, we have f is measurable as the pointwise limit of the sequence of measurable functions (f_n) . Then we have for all x , $|f(x)| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_n(x)| \leq g(x)$, thus

$$\int_X |f| d\mu \leq \int_X g d\mu < \infty$$

therefore f is integrable.

Since g is integrable, by Lemma 1, there exists $\eta > 0$ such that for every measurable set $F \in \mathcal{A}$ with measure $m(F) \leq \eta$, $\int_F g d\mu \leq \epsilon/3$.

Applying Egoroff's theorem to the sequence of functions (f_n) that converges pointwise to f , there exists a measurable set F such that $\mu(F) \leq \eta$ and (f_n) converges uniformly to f on F^c . Consider the constant $c = \frac{\epsilon}{3\mu(X)}$ (assuming that $\mu(X) > 0$, otherwise the result is trivial), then there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \geq N$, for all $x \in F^c$, $|f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq c$. Thus for all $n \geq N$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_E f_n d\mu - \int_E f d\mu \right| &= \left| \int_E (f_n - f) d\mu \right| \\ &\leq \int_E |f_n - f| d\mu \\ &= \int_{E \cap F} |f_n - f| d\mu + \int_{E \cap F^c} |f_n - f| d\mu \end{aligned}$$

To bound the first term in the sum, we have

$$\int_{E \cap F} |f_n| + |f| d\mu \leq 2 \int_{E \cap F} g d\mu \leq 2 \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

since $\mu(E \cap F) \leq \mu(F) \leq \eta$. To bound the second term, we have

$$\int_{E \cap F^c} |f_n - f| d\mu \leq \int_{E \cap F^c} c d\mu \leq c\mu(E \cap F^c) \leq c\mu(X) = \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

Adding the two terms, we obtain

$$\left| \int_E f_n d\mu - \int_E f d\mu \right| \leq \epsilon$$

which proves that $(\int_E f_n d\mu)$ converges to $\int_E f d\mu$.

(12.6) Let (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) be a measure space such that $\mu(X)$ is finite. Let $f_n : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a measurable function, and suppose that (f_n) converges to f almost everywhere. Then

1. if $\int_X f d\mu < \infty$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu = \int_X f d\mu$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_n d\mu = \int_E f d\mu$ for every measurable set E .
2. this is not true in general if $\int_X f d\mu$ is not finite.
3. this is not true in general if $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ instead of \mathbb{R}_+ , and assumed to be integrable.
4. under the assumptions of 1, we additionally have $\int_X |f_n - f| d\mu \rightarrow 0$

proof Let $A = \{x \in X | f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)\}$. Then A is measurable, and by assumption, $m(A^c) = 0$.

1. Let $E \in \mathcal{A}$ be a measurable set. Since (f_n) is a sequence of nonnegative measurable functions, we have by Fatou's Lemma

$$\int_E \liminf_n f_n d\mu \leq \liminf_n \int_E f_n$$

but $\int_E \liminf_n f_n d\mu = \int_E f d\mu$ since the difference

$$\int_E (\liminf_n f_n - f) d\mu = \int_{A \cap E} (\liminf_n f_n - f) d\mu + \int_{A^c \cap E} (\liminf_n f_n - f) d\mu = 0 + 0$$

where the first term is zero since for all $x \in A$, $\liminf_n f_n(x) = \lim_n f_n(x) = f(x)$, and the second term is zero since $m(A^c \cap E) \leq m(A^c) = 0$. Therefore we have

$$\int_E f d\mu \leq \liminf_n \int_E f_n$$

Similarly, we have

$$\int_{E^c} f d\mu \leq \liminf_n \int_{E^c} f_n \tag{1}$$

Now we have for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{n \geq k} \int_E f_n d\mu &= \sup_{n \geq k} \left(\int_X f_n d\mu - \int_{E^c} f_n d\mu \right) && \text{since } X = E \cup E^c \text{ disjointly} \\ &\leq \sup_{n \geq k} \int_X f_n d\mu + \sup_{n \geq k} - \int_{E^c} f_n d\mu \\ &= \sup_{n \geq k} \int_X f_n d\mu - \inf_{n \geq k} \int_{E^c} f_n d\mu \end{aligned}$$

since both sequences converge, so does the sum of sequences, and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_n \int_E f_n d\mu &\leq \limsup_n \int_X f_n d\mu - \liminf_n \int_{E^c} f_n d\mu \\ &= \limsup_n \int_X f_n d\mu - \liminf_n \int_{E^c} f_n d\mu \\ &\leq \int_X f d\mu - \liminf_n \int_{E^c} f_n d\mu && \text{since } \left(\int_X f_n d\mu \right)_n \rightarrow \int_X f d\mu \\ &\leq \int_X f d\mu - \int_{E^c} \liminf_n f_n d\mu && \text{by (1)} \\ &= \int_E f d\mu + \int_{E^c} f d\mu - \int_{E^c} \liminf_n f_n d\mu \\ &= \int_E f d\mu \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have

$$\limsup_n \int_E f_n d\mu \leq \int_E f d\mu \leq \liminf_n \int_E f_n d\mu \leq \limsup_n \int_E f_n d\mu$$

which proves that all terms are equal, thus $(\int_E f_n d\mu)_n$ converges, and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E f_n d\mu = \int_E f d\mu$$

2. Counterexample with $\int_X f d\mu = \infty$: consider the sequence of functions

$$f_n : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$$

$$x \mapsto f_n(x) = \begin{cases} n(1 - nx) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1/n \\ 0 & \text{if } 1/n < x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

then we have

- (f_n) converges pointwise to

$$f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$$

$$x \mapsto f(x) = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f_n dm = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f dm = \infty$.
- however, $\int_{[0,1]} f_n dm = 1/2$ for all n , while $\int_{[0,1]} f dm = 0$.

3. Counterexample with $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ instead of \mathbb{R}_+ , and integrable.

$$f_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \mapsto f_n(x) = \begin{cases} x/n^2 & \text{if } -n \leq x \leq n \\ 0 & \text{if } |x| > n \end{cases}$$

then we have

- for all n , f_n is integrable and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f_n| dm = 1$
- (f_n) converges pointwise to the function f identically zero on \mathbb{R}
- for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f_n dm = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f dm = 0$.
- however, $\int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f_n dm = 1/2$ for all n , while $\int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f dm = 0$.

4. Let B be the measurable set of points where f is nonzero,

$$B = \{x \in X | f(x) > 0\}$$

We have

$$\int_X |f - f_n| d\mu = \int_{B^c} f_n d\mu + \int_B |f - f_n| d\mu$$

In order to apply Egoroff's theorem, we need a measure space with finite measure. Define the measure ν by

$$\begin{aligned}\nu : \mathcal{A} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \\ E &\mapsto \nu(E) = \int_E f d\mu\end{aligned}$$

since f is measurable and non-negative, ν is a measure, and we have

$$\nu(X) = \int_X f d\mu < \infty$$

We assume $\nu(X) > 0$, otherwise f is zero almost everywhere, and the result becomes trivial. Now consider the functions

$$\begin{aligned}g_n : X &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \\ x &\mapsto g_n(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{f_n(x)}{f(x)} & \text{if } x \in B \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

We have

- g_n is a measurable function
- g_n converges pointwise to 1_B on A (indeed, if $x \in A \cap B^c$, then $g_n(x) = 1_B(x) = 0$, and if $x \in A \cap B$, then $(f_n(x)) \rightarrow f(x) > 0$, thus $(g_n(x)) \rightarrow 1 = 1_B(x)$), and $\nu(A^c) = \int_{A^c} f d\mu = 0$ since $\mu(A^c) = 0$. Therefore $(g_n) \rightarrow 1_B$ almost everywhere.

We can now apply Egoroff's theorem on (g_n) . Let $\epsilon > 0$. By Egoroff's theorem, there exists $F \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\nu(F) \leq \epsilon/4$ (i.e. $\int_F f d\mu \leq \epsilon/4$) and (g_n) converges uniformly to 1_B on F^c . Consider the constant $c = \frac{\epsilon}{4\nu(X)}$ (note that this is well defined since we assumed $\nu(X) > 0$). Then there exists N_1 such that for all $n \geq N_1$, for all $x \in F^c$, $|g_n(x) - 1_B(x)| \leq c$. In particular,

$$\forall x \in B \cap F^c, |f_n(x) - f(x)| \leq cf(x)$$

We then have

$$\begin{aligned}\int_X |f - f_n| d\mu &= \int_{B^c} f_n + \int_{B \cap F} |f - f_n| d\mu + \int_{B \cap F^c} |f - f_n| d\mu \\ &\leq \int_{B^c} f_n + \int_{B \cap F} f d\mu + \int_{B \cap F} f_n d\mu + \int_{B \cap F^c} |f - f_n| d\mu\end{aligned}$$

since $\int_E f_n d\mu$ converges to $\int_E f d\mu$ for all $E \in \mathcal{A}$ (by 1), there exists N_2 such that for all $n \geq N_2$, $\int_{B^c} f_n \leq \epsilon/4 + \int_{B^c} f d\mu = \epsilon/4 + 0$ and $\int_{B \cap F} f_n d\mu \leq \epsilon/4 + \int_{B \cap F} f d\mu \leq \epsilon/4 + \epsilon/4$. Therefore we have for all $n \geq \max(N_1, N_2)$,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_X |f - f_n| d\mu &\leq 3\epsilon/4 + \int_{B \cap F^c} |f - f_n| d\mu \\ &\leq 3\epsilon/4 + c \int_{B \cap F^c} f d\mu \\ &\leq 3\epsilon/4 + c \int_X f d\mu \\ &= 3\epsilon/4 + \epsilon/4\end{aligned}$$

which proves $\int_X |f - f_n| d\mu$ converges to 0.

$$(12.7) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^n \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^n e^{x/2} dx = 2.$$

proof For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let

$$\begin{aligned} f_n : \mathbb{R}_+ &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x &\mapsto f(x) = \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^n e^{x/2} \mathbf{1}_{[0, n]} \end{aligned}$$

We seek to compute $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f_n(x) dx$. We first observe that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $f_n(x) \leq f_{n+1}(x)$.¹ Let $x \geq 0$. Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = e^{-x/2}$, since for all $n > x$, $f_n(x) = \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^n e^{x/2} = \exp(n \log(1 - x/n) + x/2) = \exp(n(-x/n + o(1)) + x/2) = \exp(-x/2 + o(1))$. Therefore for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, for all $x \geq 0$

$$0 \leq f_n(x) \leq e^{-x/2}$$

where $x \mapsto e^{-x/2}$ is integrable on \mathbb{R}_+ . By the dominated convergence theorem, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f_n(x) dx$ exists and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^n \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^n e^{x/2} dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f_n(x) dx \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} e^{-x/2} dx \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

¹ $f_n(x) \leq f_{n+1}(x)$: this is true for $x > n$. To prove this for $x \in [0, n]$, consider

$$\begin{aligned} h : [0, n] &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x &\mapsto h(x) = \log(f_{n+1}(x)/f_n(x)) \\ &= (n+1) \log\left(1 - \frac{x}{n+1}\right) - n \log\left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$

This is well defined since $f_{n+1}(x)/f_n(x) > 0$. Then we have for all $x \in [0, n]$

$$h'(x) = -\frac{1}{\log\left(1 - \frac{x}{n+1}\right)} + \frac{1}{\log\left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)} > 0$$

therefore h is increasing, and for all $x \in [0, n]$, $h(x) \geq h(0) = 0$, therefore $f_{n+1}(x)/f_n(x) \geq 1$.